

# CRASH PROGRAM FOR HOSPITAL FUNDS SET AS DEADLINE NEARS

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### Industry Leaders To Meet

A crash program designed to meet the April 1 deadline for the Little Company of Mary Hospital campaign has been ordered by General Chairman Sam Levy and Industrial Committee Chairman G. L. Revell.

The program will be outlined at a "Climax Dinner" at the Palms Wednesday evening beginning at 8:30.

The purpose of the meeting, Levy said, is to inform industry and business which has already contributed about the progress of the campaign, and to aid other industrial and business concerns which are contemplating contributions in arriving at a fair share.

**Goal Seen**  
Executives of leading industrial and business establishments of the area are expected to attend Wednesday's dinner meeting.

The meeting should result in the achievement of the industrial goal of \$547,388 which had been set up in the campaign, Revell said. He said that it is essential that the industries meet the April 1 deadline so the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary could qualify for the state and federal allocations. They must give their report at an April 4 meeting in Berkeley.

**Dinner Chairman**  
Making arrangements for the Wednesday dinner are Mrs. Ella Levy Schwartz and George Post.

The proposed Little Company of Mary hospital will be operated according to the strictest American traditions and policy. It will be a non-profit organization and will serve all people regardless of race, creed, and occupational status.

In another phase of the campaign, the general solicitation division, it was reported yesterday that more than one half of the \$100,000 goal had been obtained, although only 15 per cent of the solicitation had been completed. Campaign officials have expressed little doubt that his part of the drive will be successful.

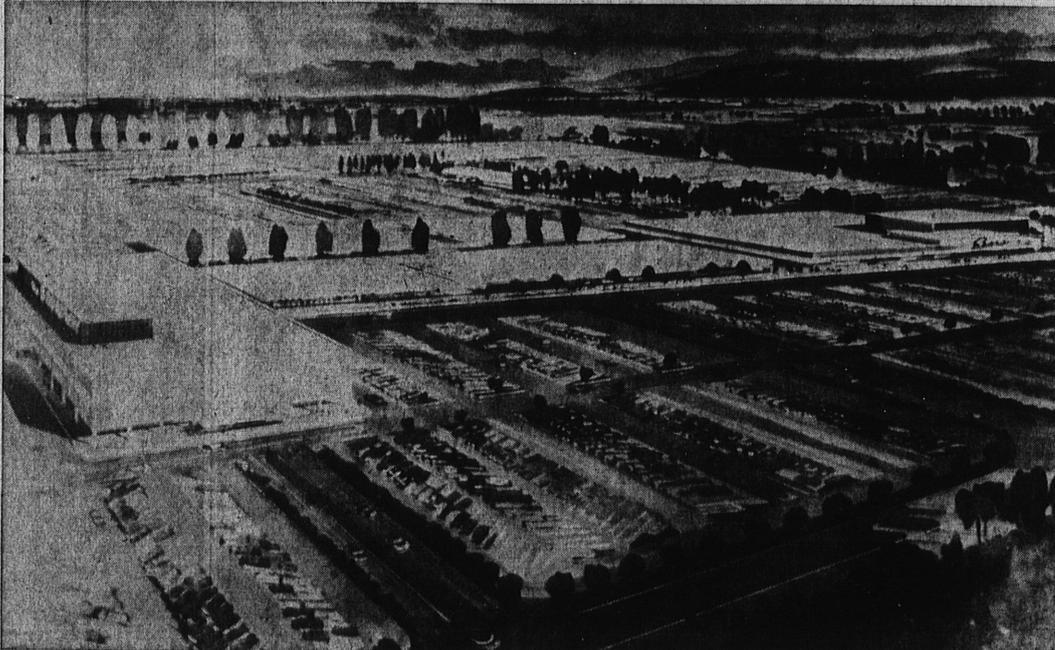
Reservations for Wednesday's dinner should be made through Mr. Post at the California Bank, or Mrs. Schwartz at Levy's Department Store. Other information about the drive may be obtained from the campaign headquarters at 1728 Andreo Ave., or by calling FAirfax 8-8616.

### 'Kathy Fiscus' Trial Set for Oil Producer

A local oil producer was jailed Thursday on a warrant charging him with violation of the city's "Kathy Fiscus" laws. Earl B. Kenney, 66, of 2351 W. 230th St., was released on a \$5000 bail pending trial in South Bay Municipal Court on March 28.

The warrant was issued by the court after Kenney failed to appear for arraignment on Jan. 2.

He is accused of maintaining an improperly fenced sump and noisy oil well machinery.



THE NEW DEL AMO SHOPPING CENTER . . . About two years away is the new major shopping center at Hawthorne and Sepulveda, developers announced yesterday. On the left of the architect's rendering above is the three-story Broadway building to be designed by the architectural

firm of Welton Becket and Associates and on the right is the 250,000 square foot Sears store designed by Stiles Clements. Between will be more than 50 other retail stores located on a mall, and around the stores will be parking spaces for more than 6000 autos.

### Chamber Flays City Policy On Annexation

The city's campaign to annex unincorporated areas around its perimeter came under fire this week from the Chamber of Commerce board of directors, who adopted a committee report saying that the campaign is endangering the city.

**Program Outlined**  
A three-point program outlining the Chamber's recommendations was sent to the Council and will be on the agenda for the 5:30 meeting Tuesday. The Chamber recommends:

- "1. Torrance should not offend our neighboring communities by any action that would indicate we are trying to grasp any territory through annexation.
- "2. In some instances, further annexation appears to be desirable, but no proceedings should be started, in our opinion, except upon the request of an important number of residents or property owners in the territory seeking annexation.
- "3. Any annexation proceeding should be entered into only after there is mutual agreement and evidence of mutual advantage. This would indicate careful and extensive study by the proper authorities."

### Temperatures

The downpour which hit Torrance Friday night brought .37 inch of rain. Temperatures for the week were:

	High	Low
Sunday	64	42
Monday	65	45
Tuesday	65	49
Wednesday	65	45
Thursday	69	40
Friday	65	39



C. C. MORGAN  
... Takes New Post

### Morgan Chosen For Pittsburg Steel Position

Charles C. Morgan, general superintendent of Torrance operations for the Columbia-Geneva Steel Division of United States Steel Corporation, has been named to succeed Donald E. Rice as general superintendent of the division's Pittsburg Works, according to J. D. McCall, vice president, operations.

Rice has been appointed general manager-operations of the division with headquarters in San Francisco.

Morgan joined U. S. Steel as an industrial engineer at Pittsburg from 1952 until 1954, when he succeeded Rice as general superintendent of the Columbia-Geneva plant at Torrance.

Morgan joined U. S. Steel as an industrial engineer at Pittsburg in 1939 after serving as an officer in the U. S. Navy following his graduation in 1933 from the United States Naval Academy. He was recalled to active duty with the

### Giant County Sports Center Proposed Here

Plans for a huge county sports center, including swimming pool, 18-hole golf course, auditorium, ball diamond, and volleyball courts in Torrance were presented to the Torrance Recreation Commission Wednesday night.

The sports center was proposed on 132 acres between Torrance and Del Amo Blvds. and between Henrietta St. and the Redondo Beach city limits. The Recreation Commission recommended to the City Council that the city cooperate to place such a park, which would serve the South Bay area, in Torrance.

**Local Site Best**  
Robert L. Gold, representing Louis J. Kroeger and Associates, told the commission that the county is considering placing a regional sports center in this area and that the Torrance site is one of two being considered. The center is in Manhattan Beach, but the Torrance site is better, he said.

The Regional Planning Commission would like an expression of opinion from the Torrance City Council toward the establishment of the center here, Gold said.

Gold suggested that it might be possible to eliminate the auditorium from the sports center site and place it on the Civic Center, replacing it at the sports center with tennis courts. That way, he said, one area would be a sports center, while the Civic Center would be reserved for cultural and educational activities.

The Recreation Commission (Continued on Page Three)

### 5 Nabbed in Chapel Theft

Five Lomita teenagers were picked up by sheriff's deputies Friday for taking \$3.50 from the collection box at the Wayfarer's Chapel, Palos Verdes. Two girls admitted taking the money from the box while the attendant was in another room. They were accompanied by three boys, one of whom admitted taking his father's car to run away.

Deputies chased the car after the theft was reported, trapping it in a dead-end street in Palos Verdes.



STRATEGY HUDDLE . . . Four representatives who will appear before the California Highway Commission next week to seek acceleration action on the San Diego Freeway go over their material in preparation for the important Sacramento meeting. Left to right are G. S. Honey, director of personnel for North American Aviation; Ed-

mund Rae, Hermosa Beach businessman and former chairman of the Inter-City Highway Committee; Councilman Nicholas Draie of Torrance, chairman of the Sacramento delegation and Wilbur E. Baker, El Segundo Councilman and chairman of the highway committee.

### Plans Mapped for Freeway Fight

At least 14 representatives of the Inter-City Highway Committee will be in Sacramento next week to present the South Coast-Peninsula area's demands for increased freeway construction in the area, according to delegation chairman Nick Draie.

Draie, who is one of the three representatives of Torrance on the Inter-City Committee, will head an official delegation of four men from the committee, which includes G. S. Honey, director of per-

sonnel for North American Aviation; Ed Rae, past chairman of the Inter-City committee; and Wilbur E. Baker, present committee chairman. Draie, Rae, and Honey will make the official presentation of the committee before a meeting of the California Highway Commission at 10:30 a.m., March 27 in Sacramento. The committee, which now represents Torrance, Redondo, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Hermosa Beach, and El Segundo, received added support Thursday when the cities of Inglewood, Hawthorne and Gardena expressed interest in the program; and the community of Lawndale, through its chamber of commerce, asked to join the committee.

The delegation to Sacramento will ask the Highway Commission to accelerate construction on the San Diego Freeway between Venice Blvd. and the Harbor Freeway, and on the Harbor Freeway south from 124th St. to Pacific Coast

### A Real Crisis

An Editorial

Because business and industry are fading (in what should be the homestretch in their heat of the race against time), Torrance stands to lose \$1,500,000 in State and Federal grants for a desperately needed new hospital.

Thus far industry has pledged considerably less than one half its quota to the proposed new Little Company of Mary hospital. This despite the inspiring single gift of \$100,000 from General Petroleum and gifts of \$20,000 by Carbide and Chemicals and \$17,000 by National Supply.

Definite, positive action must be shown immediately if the deadline of April 4, when the State Advisory Hospital Council will meet to consider the priorities of State and Federal allocated funds, is met.

A genuine emergency exists and to that end Chairman Sam Levy and Industrial Chairman Gerald Revell have called a "crisis" meeting for Wednesday evening. Every industry should be represented at this meeting when the full story will be told.

The need for the great new hospital is so acute that failure to meet this obligation will be a catastrophe. An alternative will be a District hospital on which the taxpayers will be taxed for years and years to come.

If you are an industrialist or a businessman you owe it to yourself and your company to be represented at the meeting Wednesday night.

### Details of New Center Revealed

Negotiations for the new \$40,000,000 Broadway-Sears center here—The Del Amo Shopping Center—have been completed, officials for the principal firms announced yesterday.

To be situated on a portion of the historical Del Amo

Estate, a Spanish crown land grant dating back to 1784, the property is bounded by Hawthorne Ave., Sepulveda Blvd., Carson St., and Madrona Ave. Confirming the announcement by the HERALD last week were Jaime Del Amo, president of the Del Amo Estate, Co.; Austin T. Cushman, vice president of Sears Roebuck & Co.; and Edward W. Carter, president of the Broadway-Hale Stores, Inc. Target date for opening is in the spring of 1959.

**50 Stores Planned**  
The Broadway store of 220,000 square feet and the Sears store of 250,000 square feet will dominate the center.

**To Open in 1959**  
A total of 85 acres of land is in the development, and when completed early in 1959 will contain more than 1,150.

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Hwy. Construction funds are being asked for the 1958-59 budget.

Others scheduled to make the trip with the four official committee representatives include Dick Newton of Supervisor Chace's office, Councilman William Cuelegar of Redondo, Councilman Willy Blount of Torrance, Bob Webb of El Segundo, Bob Curry of Redondo Beach, Councilman James Q. Wedworth of Hawthorne, Chamber President

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